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Title of Invention: BALANCING DEVICE FOR A SUSPENDED ELEMENT

Application No.: U.S. PCT Application Based on PCT/EP03/03132

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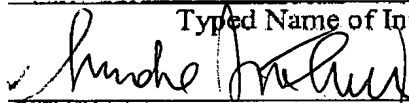
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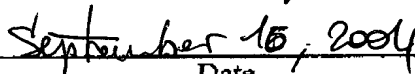
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Box No. VIII (iii) DECLARATION: ENTITLEMENT TO CLAIM PRIORITY

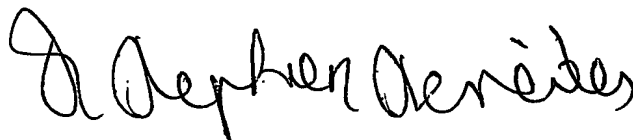
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in relation to this international application,
BORTOLUZZI MOBILI S.r.l. is entitled to claim priority of
earlier application No. BL2002A000005
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 corresponding to Italian patent application BL2002A000005

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Prior Applications: Italian patent application BL 2002A000005

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